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Water is Life

Fall Conservation Tips

Fall marks the beginning of school, the start-up of football season, changing leaves and cooling weather. It is also an ideal time to conserve water, as well as prepare your home and garden against the colder months.

TIPS *for* FALL

SEPTEMBER

Maintain your lawn

- ⌘ Aerate and fertilize your lawn if there has been enough precipitation and/or irrigation to keep your lawn green.

OCTOBER

Winterize your sprinkler system

- ⌘ Turn off the water, drain the valves and blow out the lines with compressed air.
- ⌘ Disconnect and roll up garden hoses.

NOVEMBER

Check your toilet for leaks with food coloring

- ⌘ Put a few drops of food coloring in the tank, wait 5 to 10 minutes and if the color shows up in the toilet bowl, you have a leak.

DECEMBER

Add or modify your landscape to be more water conserving

- ⌘ Consider low water gardens that attract wildlife, such as butterflies or birds.
- ⌘ Try working around themes, such as fragrant or native plants.



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**Conservation
is managing our
natural resources,
from the largest
watershed, to the
smallest ecosystem.**

– Essex Region Conservation Authority

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Automated Meter Reading (AMR)

*By Steve Little, CPA
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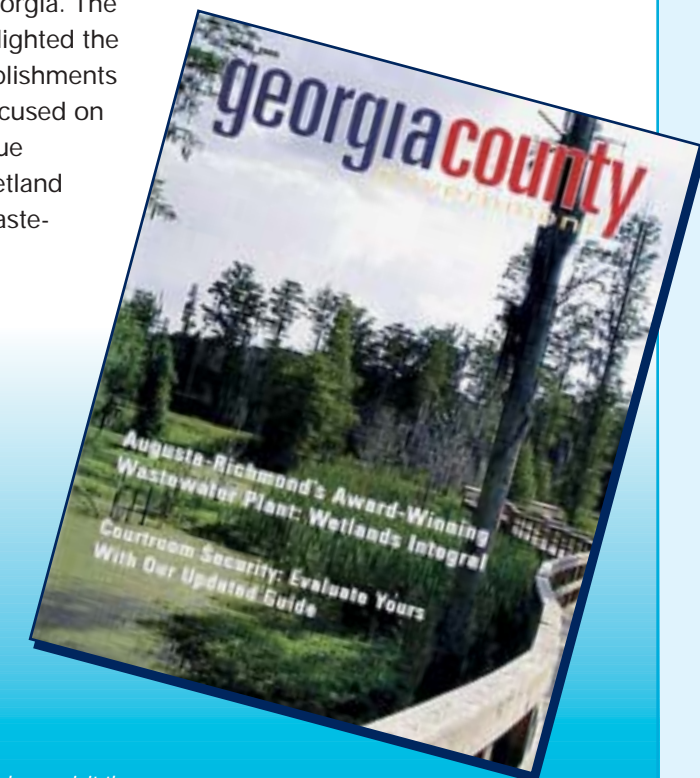
The Augusta Utilities Department's (AUD) contractor, Honeywell, Inc., has completed the installation of the Automated Meter Reading (AMR) project for 7,000 customers. Plans are in place to automate the remaining 61,000 residential meters once the older meters are no longer functional. Replacing these meters allows AUD to reduce labor costs and increase efficiency of meter-reading activities.

Augusta Wastewater Plant Featured in State Magazine

*By Allen Saxon, MS
Assistant Director of Wastewater Treatment*

Augusta's James B. Messerly Water Pollution Control Plant was featured in the April 2005 issue of Georgia County Government Magazine, the official publication of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia. The four-page article highlighted the plant's recent accomplishments and awards. It also focused on the plant's most unique feature, a 360 acre wetland system as the final wastewater treatment step.

"We are proud our James B. Messerly Water Pollution Control Plant has been recognized and praised by so many entities within our community, as well as our state," said Augusta Utilities Department Director Max Hicks.



To view this article online, please visit the Association County Commissioners of Georgia web site at: www.accg.org.

Augusta Water Conservation Plan

All Augusta Utilities Department (AUD) customers are currently under a mandatory water conservation plan to comply with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division's Rules for Outdoor Water Use.

The watering rules and schedule for residential, as well as commercial, are as follows:

- A. Residents and businesses with even addresses may water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
- B. Residents and businesses with odd addresses may water on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.
- C. No watering is allowed on Monday.

New landscaping may be exempt, but you must submit an application to the AUD and have it approved prior to watering your new grounds. To obtain an application, please contact our Customer Service Department at (706) 842-3050 or (706) 821-1851 or visit our web site at: www.augustaga.gov/departments/utilities/home.asp

"ON CALL" SOFTBALL TEAM

The Augusta Utilities Department's "On Call" Softball Team hosted the State Industrial League Championship Tournament at Diamond Lakes on August 6, 2005.

"On Call" Softball Team winners of the 2004-2005 Men's Industrial Spring League Champions are as follows:



FRONT ROW (L-R): Trampus Walker, Coach Bob Washington, Bobby Dudley, Richard O'Bryant, Mike Hester
BACK ROW (L-R): Doug Cheek, Mack Reeves, Stuart McCall, James Henry, Chris Joyner, Kevin Joyner, Allen Flanagan
(NOT PICTURED): David Wright, Clark Chavous, Eddie Wait

Employee of the Month



The City of Augusta named **Harold Davenport** their July Employee of the Month due to his outstanding service and because he is always going the extra mile.
Harold (FRONT ROW, R) with the co-workers who nominated him for Employee of the Month.

Rae's Creek System Upgrade



The Augusta Utilities Department (AUD) is pleased to announce the recently upgraded Rae's Creek Sewer Interceptor from Berckmans Road to the Chafee Lift Station was placed into service on July 13th. Prior to the interceptor upgrade, the Rae's Creek area suffered from undersized lines and frequent sewer overflows. This project was completed ahead of the September 1st deadline, which satisfied an agreement associated with an Environmental Protection Division's Consent Decree. The construction cost totalled \$8 million. The AUD will continue efforts to improve the Rae's Creek system through preventive maintenance investigations and elimination of storm water influences. Since the line has been completed, Augusta has experienced several intense, relatively short duration rainfalls, and the new line has performed with no overflows and has additional capacity remaining. The work in the Rae's Creek Basin is not entirely complete, but this is another milestone in the advancement and improvement to the system.

— UNDER CONSTRUCTION —		
PROJECT NAME	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION	ESTIMATED COST
Jamestown Sewer Phase II	Completed	\$1,633,318
Goodrich Street Raw Water Pump Station Upgrade	Fall 05	\$1,314,000
N. Max Hicks-Tobacco Road Water Treatment Plant	Fall 05	\$55,836,334
Butler Creek Interceptor Upgrade	September 05	\$5,986,012
Rae's Creek Relief Interceptor Upgrade Phase I	September 05	\$2,440,350
Rae's Creek Relief Interceptor Upgrade Phase II	August 05	\$5,651,231
Brookwood Drive 16-inch Water Main	November 05	\$830,110
Horsepen Trunk Sewer Phase Ia	Winter 06	\$2,161,369
Horsepen Trunk Sewer Phase Ib	Winter 06	\$1,687,636
Kissingbower Road Water and Sewer Improvements	September 05	\$1,633,318
Groundwater Treatment Plant #3 20" Water Main	October 05	\$2,374,942
J.B. Messerly Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Phase II	Fall 05	\$4,840,000
Chlorine Injection System Phase III	Fall 05	\$164,434
Olive Road Sewer Installation	Winter 06	\$764,322